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Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Denali Commission Multi-Use Facilities Program – Fiscal Year 03

This NOFA announces the potential availability, as of March 7, 2003, of FY03 Commission funding for multi-use facilities.

The Commission has taken into consideration the difficulty that many organizations experience in competing for Commission funding. Consequently, we have attempted to make the (RFP) process as simple as possible and consistent with the Commission's guiding principles which include sustainability. We are providing:

- an application completeness checklist (*the last section of the application*)
- a template to guide the business plan development process
- a site plan checklist incorporated into the overall application checklist

All necessary materials for applying for Commission multi-purpose facility funding can be found on the website at www.denali.gov under the Multi-Purpose Facility tab. You should find the following four documents:

1. RFP & Application for Multi-Use Facilities
2. 2000 U.S. Census Update of Distressed Community Criteria – July 2002
3. Template Multi-Use Facility Business Plan

These documents will assist you in preparing an application for multi-use facility funding. If you cannot access these documents through the internet, please submit a written request to the Commission to mail these documents to you. Fax requests will be accepted. Please do not request the application by phone.

Some features of the FY03 multi-use facility funding process that may be of interest.

1. Funding is primarily intended for facilities serving communities with a population of 2,500 or fewer. Larger communities may be considered for funding at the discretion of the Commission, but a significant burden will be placed on such communities to demonstrate that the facility would serve a vital life, health and safety purpose that can not otherwise be satisfied.
2. Facilities funded under this Program are intended to meet basic, vital community needs with life, health and safety needs being the highest priority.

3. **Maximum** funding under this program is **one million dollars**. Funding may be provided for expansion or renovation of an existing facility or for construction of a new facility.
4. Economically distressed communities must provide a local match of at least 10% and non-distressed communities are required to contribute at least 25%.
5. This Program is not expected to be on-going. Funding under this Program may be a one-time opportunity.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Rachael Petro at the Denali Commission at the numbers provided above, or contact _____ at the Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development at (907) 269- 4578.

Sincerely,

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